

Hope Star



Bruce Catton Says:

Housing Authority Believes It Has Answer to Slum Clearance at Last

By BRUCE CATTON

NEA Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON — If Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York has his way this Congress will put up another \$800,000,000 for the U.S. Housing Authority. The argument that will be advanced is that the Authority has at last evolved a slum clearance program that works.

California Firms Revolt on Social Security's Taxes

Farm Leader Joins City Business in Revolt on West Coast

FIGHT TAX BURDEN

Agricultural Council Makes Demand Relief Rolls Be Purged

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (AP)—A "revolt" of a Fresno business group against federal pay roll taxes, and the critical outburst of a farm leader against relief costs Friday marked apparently growing dissatisfaction in California over its social security situation.

The Fresno movement came to the attention of congress when Representative Elliott (Dem., Cal.) told the house ways and means committee a group of San Joaquin county employers had vowed to go to jail rather than pay any more taxes under the social security law.

This group, under the leadership of John A. Martin, Fresno contractor, also was preparing for a meeting to demand the immediate deportation of Harry Bridges, West Coast C. I. O. director.

To Fight Penalties

The Fresno group was formed two weeks ago. Martin, a building contractor employing 10 persons, and nine other "little business men" organized the "Citizen's League" to resist payment of 100 per cent penalties which they said had been levied by the government against California employers delinquent on pay roll taxes.

Martin's organization committed itself to repeal of the entire social security program and notified Treasury Secretary Morgenthau it would resist payment of the penalties on constitutional grounds. The constitution prohibits the levying of "excessive" fines.

The state appropriated \$19,750,000 to finish out the direct relief program to the end of the fiscal year June 30, and projected a \$73,000,000 relief budget for the biennium beginning then.

Gov. Culbert L. Olson has suggested a "production for use" program to lighten the financial load.

Of the Bridges case Martin asserted Bridges "controls one-tenth of one per cent of California's citizens and causes 99.9 per cent of California's troubles." The Citizens League leader predicted 100,000 California employers would "lock their doors and go fishing not later than March 1" unless Bridges was on his way back to Australia, his birthplace.

Purge of Lazy and Indolent

Ralph H. Taylor, executive secretary of the California Agricultural Council, in a public statement demanded the state's relief rolls, which he said numbered 280,000 persons, be purged of "the lazy and indolent, who have the fallacious idea that the government owes them a living."

"There is undeniable evidence," Taylor said, "that California has more professional paupers than at any other time in its history. Working California —farmer, labor, business and professional men—is fooling the bill with 20 to 25 per cent of its income going to pay federal, state and local taxes."

Divorce Is Asked by Joan Crawford

Mental Cruelty Charged in Suit Filed Against Franchot Tone

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Joan Crawford, film star, filed suit here Friday for a divorce from Franchot Tone, one of the movies. The complaint asserts they have signed a property settlement, of which it asks court approval.

Charging mental cruelty, Miss Crawford asserts that Tone treated her in an inhuman manner and caused her great mental suffering and distress. Although he knew before their marriage at Fort Lee, N. J., on August 11, 1935, that her picture duties demanded that she spent long hours daily at the studio and required her to study her film parts during the evenings, Tone insisted on many occasions that she go out with him socially, the complaint recites.

For more than a year, it charges, he has objected continually to her activities and has made unreasonable demands upon her time. He became sullen and angry when she suggested that he postpone his social engagements, and would refuse to speak to her for days at a time, it asserts. During these quarrels, it declares, Tone frequently remarked that their marriage was a mistake, although she endeavored at all times to be good and faithful wife to him.

The couple separated last July 20, the complaint says. Miss Crawford formerly was the wife of Douglas Fairbanks Jr. Tone had not been married previously.

A Thought

If the wicked flourish, and thou suffer, be not discouraged; they are fated for destruction, thou art destined for health.—Fuller.

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Bobcats Win Over Texarkana, 74-30; B Team Also Wins

Lends but Doesn't Build
Here's what has happened so far in the USHA program:

Congress voted \$800,000,000 for the USHA. The Authority doesn't do anything itself; it lends money to local housing authorities set up by cities or counties which must through sale of bonds put up a sum equal to 10 per cent of the USHA loan. In addition, the USHA agrees to contribute to the local group a subsidy equal to 3½ per cent of the cost of the project. The local group, in turn, must make its annual contribution—usually by making the new housing exempt from taxes.

Because the loans run for 60 years at low interest rates, because the 3½ per cent subsidy keeps coming in year after year, and because the houses are tax-free, the rents will run, on an average, a little less than \$4 per room per month. A family will be able to get a five-room home, then, for something under \$20 a month—nearer \$16 than \$20, say the USHA people, because the \$4-a-room average is pared in the larger units.

This, obviously, isn't housing that pays its own way. It isn't housing that private industry could hope to duplicate and make a profit. But the USHA sees it as the most practical kind of slum clearance work that has yet been evolved; it points out that it offers decent housing at prices that slum-dwellers can afford to pay, and that none but slum-dweller can become tenants. Further, one of its regulations is that for every new dwelling unit under its program, a standard house must be demolished.

Still Plenty to Do

With the money already appropriated, the USHA will eventually have built homes for 160,000 families. That looks like a big bite out of the slum problem—unit the Authority's staff remarks that the common estimate is that the nation contains 5,000,000 urban homes that are substandard enough to come in or close to the slum classification.

The pitfalls that got in the path of PWA's slum clearance program are to a large extent being avoided on the USHA program. For one thing, this program makes use of the cheaper land. It has ruled out the fancy land-scaping and ornamental plazas which made some of the PWA projects look like miniature copies of Versailles. It has told the local contractors to follow the building standards current in their own neighbors, instead of insisting on strict government standards. It gets cheaper utility service through wholesale purchase. It requires the tenant to do for himself a lot of things that were done for him under the earlier program. It got the building trades unions to agree to set a prevailing wage rate before contracts are bid, and to stick to it; it also got the unions to agree to get along without jurisdictional strikes.

It is going into small towns as well as big cities—here is a \$283,000 project in Mount Hope, W. Va., for instance a town of 2,300 people.

No one whose monthly income is more than five times the rent that would be charged him is allowed to become a tenant. On the other hand, the USHA insists that every tenant must have some regular income—even if it is only a relief allowance. It doesn't want to turn the new housing into a poorhouse development.

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Jones Scores 24 Points to Lead Bobcat Scoring Attack

ARKANSAS BEATS TCU

Beebe Defeats Little Rock and Ash Flat Whips Jonesboro

The Hope High School basketball team swamped Texarkana, (Ark.) High Razorbacks here Friday night, 74 to 30. It was the highest score the Bobcats have made on any team this season.

The second team played part of the last half and continued to hit the basket for additional points. The Bobcats cracked the Razorbacks defense in the opening minutes of play and had little trouble thereafter.

J. D. Jones, six-foot seven inch Hope center, rung up 24 points before leaving the game in the last half for individual scoring honors. Norman Green made 19 points and Bobby Ellon 17 points.

The Hope High School band furnished music and the drum major put on a stent at the half.

In preliminary contest, the Bobcat B team defeated the Texarkana second-string squad, 34 to 19.

It was the second straight victory over Texarkana for both the Hope teams, having defeated the Razorbacks by big scores Thursday night at Texarkana.

Patmos Beats Blevins

BLEVINS, Ark.—The Patmos cage team defeated Blevins, 54 to 18, here Friday night. Yancy was high scorer with 15 points. The Patmos senior girls won over Blevins, 30 to 22. "Sisters" scored 17 points for Patmos.

The Patmos Junior boys had an easy time in winning from the Blevins Juniors, 43 to 18. Camp of Patmos scored 20 points.

Little Rock Loses

BBEEBE, Ark.—Extended but playing in top form, the Beebe Badgers rallied in the late minutes of the second half to defeat the Little Rock High School basketball team, 40 to 39, here Friday night. Beebe beat the Tigers, 29 to 28, in Little Rock earlier in the season.

The Tigers ran up a 6-to-1 score in the first few minutes. Then Beebe found the range and tied the count, 6 to 6, at the close of the first quarter.

Defensive tactics were featured in the second quarter with Beebe registering seven points and Little Rock five with the Badgers leading, 13 to 11, at the half. The Tigers spurred in the third quarter, taking a 19-to-17 lead. The score was tied, 20 to 20, and 23 to 23, before the Badgers again pulled ahead to remain in front, 27 to 23, at the close of the quarter.

Mask and Young began hitting the wicker in the last quarter while Smith and Highfill checked the Little Rock offense. Mask and Young and Little Rock's Howard Hughes tied for high point honors with 14. In addition to Hughes, Atkinson played a good game for the Tigers.

Jonesboro Loses

JONESBORO.—Forging into the lead in the second quarter, the Ash Flat High School Eagles won a 50-to-42 victory over Jonesboro here Friday night. It was the third defeat of the year for the state champions.

The Ash Flat squad averaged several inches taller than Jonesboro. The visitors led at the half, 24 to 18. Ash Flat

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Wife Knows Answer to Razor's Longevity

VAN ALSTYNE, Texas.—(P)—J. M. Neatherly, retired druggist, can't give any special reasons why his razor has lasted 60 years, but his wife has an answer.

"I didn't use it to rip seams, sharpen pencils and perform some of the other household chores that many women find a razor will accomplish handily," says Mrs. Neatherly. "It is the only razor Neatherly ever has used."

20 Killed in Air Raid on Valencia

Government's Dwindling Zone Resolves to Continue the War

VALÈNCIA, Spain.—(P)—Insurgent airplanes killed at least 20 persons, wounded 40, and smashed the British freighter "Lucky" in five attacks Saturday on Valencia's largest seaport remaining in government hands.

Hundreds of bombs were dumped on the port area. Despite a direct hit no one aboard the British vessel was injured.

Despite the new air raids on the government's one-fourth of Spain the people of the Madrid-Valencia-Albacete zone took courage from Premier Juan Negrín's announced determination to fight on with Madrid again the government capital.

Rail Crash Kills 30

BARCELONA, Spain.—(P)—Thirty persons were killed and 100 injured Saturday when an electric passenger train entering Gracia, suburb of Barcelona, struck the rear end of a freight train.

Authorities blamed defective brakes,

Dr. Colton Speaks to Hope Students

Third of International Lecturers to Be Given February 24

Dr. Ethan Colton, author, world traveler, and international lecturer, continued Friday the series of addresses on international questions, sponsored by the Rotary Club for students of Southwest Arkansas, speaking at 2 P. M. at Hope High School.

Dr. Colton, in discussing the situation in Soviet Russia, brought out that the main concern of all people is to get their share of this world's goods for themselves, whereas, the Russians are not personally ambitious, but their aspirations are for the classes.

He stated that Russia is unique in a class war for the division of national income, so much allocated to factories, farmers, bankers. The class wars were not waged with a feather-duster, manifested by the death and imprisonment of some 5 million peasants who did not approve of the division. Each class feels that it must win all or loose all, with the idea thoroughly instilled that "No Class has ever risen above self-interest and never will."

In a round-table discussion with groups of young Nazi soldiers, Dr. Colton expressed the idea of these young men that if it was possible to discuss problems with young men of France, England, and various countries, future generations should be able to arbitrate important questions.

He explained that each country insists on retaining its own cultural practices, that each feel that his culture is superior to all others and that if you mentioned a Czech marrying a German,

him. His mother was an English princess. The young man himself served a goodly time in the English navy. And the English are at present not exactly chosen people for Hitler and Mussolini. They might fear that a King Juan or whatever he chose to call himself would slant Spain too much towards democratic England and forget what the totalitarian states did to help France.

He was born June 20, 1913. He was

Don Juan is the third son of Alfonso raised very simply, because he never dreamed of being heir to the throne. He had two brothers before him—the late Prince of the Asturias and Don Jaime. Of course, Asturias was a "bleeder" and Jaime was dead and dumb, but these things did not rule them out.

Juan grew up strong and healthy. In 1930 he entered the Spanish Naval College at Cadiz where he became a favorite with his fellow students because he had no side and no frills.

When the revolution broke out in 1931, he left Cadiz and came to England where he applied for admission to the British navy. He was posted to the cruiser "Enterprise," which was stationed in Indian waters.

It was while serving on this ship that he received a message from his parents notifying him that he was now the heir to the throne. This became so because the Prince of the Asturias renounced the throne to marry a Cuban girl and became simple Count of Covadonga and because Don Jaime renounced all rights because of his increasing disabilities.

Nevertheless Don Juan continued in the British navy. He served on the "Iron Duke" until 1935, then going to the destroyer "Winchester" and being promoted to the rank of lieutenant. Later he was placed on the reserve list of officers. The British Admiralty

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Awaiting Second Installment



Patience gets its most severe test in the maternity ward of a Kansas City, Mo., hospital. On Feb. 5, Mrs. Lillian McDonnell, shown looking speculatively at calendar, gave birth to a son. Doctors can hear the heartbeat of a twin, but say the second birth may follow the first by as much as 13 days. Meanwhile expectant father beats a path in hospital corridor.

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Franco May Crown Alfonso's Son as Puppet King of Spain

Much Depends on Italy's Accepting Pro-English Heir

Don Juan Favors British, in Whose Navy He Saw Service

THIRD SON OF KING

Elder Brothers Disqualified Selves—Father Living in Rome

By MILTON BRONNER

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LONDON.—If General Franco wins command of all Spain—

If, having done so, he is willing to have a King as the nominal ruler of the country—

If, being favorable, dictators Hitler and Mussolini do not veto the plan—

Then good looking young man named Don Juan Carlos Teresa Silvelio may be called to the throne created by his father, former King Alfonso XIII, in April, 1931, after the Spanish revolution.

But those "ifs" are tough hurdles.

There are those who think Franco will not be inclined to give up power to a king, but will rule on the lines of Hitler. There are still others who think that Franco may be willing to have Don Juan as a royal figurehead, such as Mussolini is reputed to have made of King Victor Emmanuel in Italy, but that Hitler and Mussolini may veto the plan.

The trouble about Don Juan from the German-Italian standpoint would be that there is too much English about



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The Visit of Dr. Aranha an Opportunity for U. S.

Choice of Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Brazil's representative in forthcoming conferences at the White House is a happy one. The United States welcomes Dr. Aranha, now en route to the U. S., as a friend, not only a proved friend of our country, but a friend of democratic government, for which he has fought unceasingly in his own country.

Dr. Aranha is a man of delightful personality which won him hundreds of personal friendships when he was ambassador to Washington from Brazil. He is a fast thinker, and a hard worker, one to whom President Roosevelt should be able to talk understandingly and on equal terms.

They can not fail to find a great deal in common in the fact that Dr. Aranha has been in Brazil one of the leading bulwarks against Fascist influence in that country, a devoted friend of democracy and orderly procedure, and in every way one of the most distinguished of Brazil's sons.

The White House conferences between Dr. Aranha and President Roosevelt and other U. S. officials should give direct evidence of the intention to carry forward in deeds the words of the Declaration of Lima and the resolution of the Americas to preserve a free system of trade as against private and discriminatory deals between special countries.

Without excluding any other countries, or in any way barring them from legitimate trade with Brazil, there are many ways in which greater trade and closer co-operation between Brazil and the United States may be stimulated. In many important commercial respects, Brazil, with its coffee and rubber, cacao and manganese, tin and diamonds, all lacking to continental United States, is complementary to U. S. economy; while the rise of a manufacturing economy, the building of railroads and roads, and the general rise in standards of living offers plenty of opportunity for the United States to furnish a large share of manufactured goods necessary to the unbudding of Brazil.

Brazil has been traditionally friendly to the United States, and this visit of Dr. Aranha offers an opportunity to see how the two nations may be of greater service to one another.

As in later talks expected to follow with representatives of other South American countries, there is no longer any wish for diplomatic or commercial "victories." The need today is to apply intelligence to find ways in which each country may help the other. Then there will be no lack of by-products of understanding and amity.

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Society

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Lifting and Lamenting
There are two kinds of people on earth today,
Just two kinds of people, no more, I say.

Not the good and the bad, for 'tis well understood.

The good are half-bad and the bad are half-good.

Not the happy and the sad, for the swift-flying years

Bring each man his laughter and each man his tears.

Not the rich and the poor, for to count a man's wealth

You must first know the state of his conscience and health.

Not the humble and the proud, for in life's busy span

Who puts on vain airs is not counted a man.

No, the two kinds of people on earth

I mean

Are the people who lift and the people who lament.

Wherever you go you will find the world's masses

Are ever divided in just these two classes.

In which class are you? Are you

ching the loud

Of overtaxed lifters who toil down the road?

Or are you a lament who lets others bear?

Your portion of worry and labor and care?

E. W. W.

The different circles of the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church will meet Monday afternoon at three o'clock in the following homes: Circle No. 1 at the home of Mrs. M. C. Butler, So. Main St., Circle No. 2, at the home of Mrs. Tom McLarty So. Main St., Circle No. 3, at the home of Mrs. Fred Cook with Mrs. R. H. Barr as joint hostess, Circle No. 4, at the home of Mrs. J. R. Williams, So. Main St., Circle No. 5 will meet at 7:30 Monday evening at the home of Miss Elizabeth Bridewell, So. Shover St., with Miss Helen Beats as joint hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Herdon, Sr. have spent the past two days on business in Little Rock.

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Mrs. C. C. Lewis was hostess to the members of the Friday bridge club at her home on So. Pine St. Early spring flowers adorned the rooms and the high score went to Mrs. M. M. McCoughan. Following the game the hostess served a delicious salad course.

Ike T. Bell, Jr. of Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La., arrived Friday for a visit with Miss Maggie Bell and Ike T. Bell, Sr.

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Misses Jeanette Witt and Wyble Wimberly will spend the week end with relatives and friends in Little Rock.

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Razorbacks Win

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Ied, 34 to 32 at the conclusion of the third quarter.

Gordon Carpenter, Ash Flat center, scored 29 points. Willard Tilley and John Osment led Jonesboro with 15 and 13, respectively.

Razorbacks Win

FORT WORTH, Tex.—(AP)—The tall Arkansas Razorbacks breezed to a 44-to-32 triumph over the Texas Christianers in the first of a two-game series here Friday night. The win was the fourth in a row for the Porkers, and left them still in the running for the Southwest Conference title.

For the first 20 minutes the Porkers

gave the Porkers stiff opposition, piling up a 7-to-2 lead in five minutes.

Guard Gerald Gammill began to find "foot-printed" by buried magnetic particles. They point in the direction of what was the magnetic pole when they sank.

Expectation of great things from the sea bottom is not a wild dream. For within this decade science has four times done the seemingly impossible with the ocean.

Selenium, a metal not previously supposed to be in sea bottoms, is found in these samples. The earth's magnetic history has been found "foot-printed" by buried magnetic particles. They point in the direction of what was the magnetic pole when they sank.

TURNING the page, Dottie

glanced at the Harker smash advertisement, exclaiming over the smart, cleverly drawn sketches.

Suddenly she laughed, pointing to a boxed notice in the center of the layout. Dottie read: "Would you like to be beautiful?" Then both girls laughed. They were both beautiful swans and they knew it.

"We should show this to Florida," Dottie said. "She could

certainly use a little beauty."

"Just try it and see how quick your head comes off," her friend returned. Taking a compact from her purse she daintily touched her

lips with crimson.

"Wouldn't it be terrible to be homely?" she asked, looking complacently into the mirror.

"Terrible," Dottie agreed, with the slightest conception of how terrible it could be. They wandered out of the shop, leaving the paper behind them.

Susie picked up the paper. About to toss it aside, she hesitated. There it was again, the fates at her elbow.

Indifferently she scanned the paper. Several times her eyes passed over the Harker page, always coming back. Gradually the import made a dent in her consciousness and she read the notice through.

"Harker's wants to prove that any woman can be beautiful, alluring, desirable. If you doubt us please write a letter telling us why. Tell us what it has meant to you to be unattractive. Without obligation or expense the writer of the best letter will be beautified by Harker's."

Susie had been asked a hundred times for the recipe and always she gave it, up to a certain point.

There was a little trick about making waffles that she had learned from her mother. The little trick meant money to Susie.

She guarded her secret even from Susie whom Harker favored.

Jeff Bowman, chancing into the office, settled the matter. "Why not do a little quiet investigating?" he inquired. "Let's look up all five, then we'll be sure."

"In my mind Susie is our girl," Harker insisted, holding her letter in his hand. "She'd give her hope of heaven to be beautiful for one year. Isn't that pathetic? Isn't that terrible? Women are supposed to be lovely, that's their chief function in life. This girl realizes that she suffers—it's terrible, I tell you."

"Sure it's terrible, Chief," Jeff agreed, "but I still hold out for an investigation. Naturally we can't fight deformities. Your friend Susie tells us nothing of her background, not even her age. You can't go at this thing 'blind'; you can't send for Susie and then disappoint her."

Kane shrugged wearily, at the same time eyeing Jeff with animosity. The young fool had too much authority, too much influence over the Chief. One of these days he'd succeed in getting Jeff fired.

"Go see about tomorrow's copy, Jeff," he said curiously. "Mr. Harker and I can figure this out."

"Stay right where you are," Harker interposed as Jeff started for the door. "You're right about this thing. Do a little sleuthing in your own way and bring the report to me. After that we'll decide—on Susie." He laughed good-naturedly.

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In the Old Days, Men Did the Decorating

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EVANSVILLE, Ind.—(AP)—The men and not the women—used compacts in the days of the Ohio River mound builders.

Fred Phillips, educational director of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp, said CCC boys digging into a mound under the Evansville-Henderson, Ky., bridge found the compacts—lidded stone containers with paint in them—only where men were buried.

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Senate Approves

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been up against for 10 years."

"Your people have refused to do

what this bill provides for, in every

way possible," he said. "They've voted down this proposal for years, on

down to last summer. If you take the

amount appropriated in this bill and

compute it on an interest table, you'll

find it amounts to \$12,000,000 in the long

run," Mr. Mason said.

Under proposed Amendment No. 28,

voted down by a 2-to-1 majority at the

1938 general election, the state would

have assumed bonded obligations of

road improvement and maintenance

districts and would have written a bond

refunding contract into the state constitution.

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Much Depends On

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probably thought it wise to do so be-

cause of the conflict in Spain.

At any rate Don Juan went to Rome, where his father has been living for

some years. October 12, 1935, he married his second cousin, Princess Maria Mercedes of Bourbon-Sicily. They now have two children—two-year-old Maria del Pilar, and a son and heir to the throne—it's there he is—Don Juan Carlos, born last year.

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